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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: K. AOTA, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/828,837  
Filed: April 10, 2001  
For: EXTRUDED FRAME MEMBER FOR USE IN  
FRICTION STIR WELDING  
Art Unit: 1772  
Examiner: C. Simone

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner For Patents  
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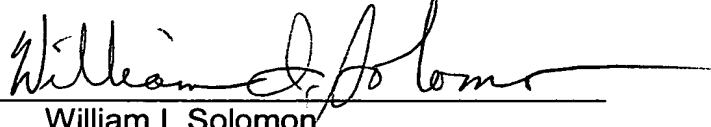
Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within a three-month time period subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed October 3, 2003. A first-month extension fee was paid when the Amendment After Final Rejection was filed February 2, 2004. A credit card payment form in the amount of \$840.00 to cover the additional two-month requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 503.35933VV5) and any excess fees credited to that account.

Respectfully submitted,

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